

IN THE TRANSVAAL

Troops are Being Rapidly Mobilized at Cape Town.

AMBUSCADES FOR THE BRITISH

Text of Kruger's Counter Proposal is Under Consideration by Secretary Chamberlain.

CAPE TOWN, August 23.—The Mafeking Horse regiment is mobilizing rapidly. Several hundred recruits have arrived and been equipped here and have joined Vivian's camp. Every train is bringing fresh recruits. It is rumored that 300 Boers have formed a Laager on the border.

Although the cabled summary of the counter proposals of the Transvaal Government to Great Britain's proposition for a joint commission to inquire as to what effect the reform franchise measures would have on the Outlanders is probably incomplete, it undoubtedly gives the general lines accurately.

PIETERMARITZBURG, Natal, South Africa, August 23.—In connection with the rumor that there are many Boers who are British subjects and outwardly sympathize with the British while in reality they are secret agents of President Kruger of the Transvaal Republic, the Premier of Natal declared last evening that it was the intention of the Government to take steps to detect and punish any British subjects co-operating with the enemies of the Queen.

It is understood that much secret information has been conveyed to President Kruger, and that even ambuscades have been prepared for the British troops in the event of war by these secret agents.

A force of police has been ordered to Colenso, owing to rumors of the intention of the Boers to destroy the railroad bridge at that place.

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., August 23.—A firm of this place has received an order for fourteen million Mauser cartridges for urgent delivery to South Africa. Secrecy is being observed as to the exact destination of the cartridges, but it is said that the Boers alone use Mauser rifles in that territory.

CHICAGO, August 23.—"There can be only one outcome to the war which is, I think, inevitable between England and the Boer Government, and that is complete victory for England and the political ruin of Oom Paul," said Jas. A. Robinson, a solicitor from Port Elizabeth, South Africa, and an ex-member of the Cape Colony Parliament, at the Grand Pacific Hotel. He continued:

"President Kruger's actions in the recent negotiations with England, as given in press dispatches since I left South Africa, are in perfect accord with that which was expected there. He will temporize as long as possible to delay war and then, it is generally supposed, will pursue desultory tactics in the hope that either some foreign power or the Liberal party in England will come to his rescue. As the former is out of the question, he is probably hoping for interference by the Liberals, which was all that saved him in 1880, when Gladstone's influence stopped hostilities.

"Since the matter has come to a crisis Oom Paul may make some concessions in the matter of franchises for Uitlanders, but it is not probable that he will give in where the financial interests of the Dutch ring are at stake. He will probably fight rather than allow the Dutch dynamite and other monopolies to be broken up. But whether there is war or not, there is only one thing which can save Kruger his prestige, and that is weakening on the part of England. That is most unlikely. If there is war he is certain to be crushed. If there is no war, owing to his giving in to the English demands, he will lose his hold on the Boers."

LONDON, August 23.—The Secretary of State for the Colonies, Joseph Chamberlain, has received the text of the Transvaal's reply to the proposals of the British Government and now has it under consideration. The members of the Cabinet are within reach, but until the Government has determined on what course to pursue, Mr. Chamberlain is unwilling to divulge the contents of the message from South Africa.

LONDON, August 22.—A Parliamentary paper, dealing with the Transvaal crisis, was issued today. It details the efforts of the Boer Government during the past year to have the question of the suzerainty of Great Britain submitted to arbitration, and Great Britain's repeated refusals to discuss this basic point. The document adds that Sir Alfred Milner, Governor of Cape Colony and High Commissioner of South Africa, writing to Mr. Chamberlain, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, last June, said: "The way in which the Secretary of State juggles with the convention of 1884 is rather irritating to a plain man."

The final dispatch from Chamberlain, dated July 13, 1899, to Sir Alfred Milner, concurs with the latter's view as to the untenable Transvaal position.

tion, adding that the British Government had no intention to continue to discuss the question of suzerainty with the Transvaal.

REED RESIGNS HIS SEAT IN CONGRESS.

AUGUSTA, Me., Aug. 22.—The resignation of Thomas B. Reed as Congressman in the First Maine district was received by Governor Powers today. The resignation is to take effect September 4, and it has been accepted by Governor Powers.

ASSAULT ON OLYMPIA'S MEN.

LONDON, August 21.—A special dispatch received here today from Leghorn, Italy, says that five men have been arrested there on the charge of attacking and wounding some sailors who had come ashore from the United States cruiser Olympia. The Olympia sailed from this port today.

COIN FOR THE WAR

Problem That Secretary Gage Must Solve.

Plan to Raise More Money by Means of the Revenue Law—May Issue More Bonds.

NEW YORK, August 22.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: Secretary Gage is engaged in the task of ascertaining whence the funds are to come with which to pay the largely increased army recently determined on by the President and Secretary Root. This increase makes demands on the treasury that may well cause some concern among its chief officials. The receipts of the Government did not meet the extraordinary expenditures when the army was smaller, and the problem of how to meet the cost of 30,000 additional troops gives the Treasury Department some uneasiness.

Secretary Gage has ample authority, it is asserted, to issue more bonds for the prosecution of the war in the Philippines. The war-revenue law authorized the issue of \$100,000,000 worth of certificates of indebtedness and \$400,000,000 worth of bonds. Two hundred million dollars' worth of these bonds were offered at popular subscription and subscribed five times over. The law says that the proceeds of the sale of those bonds shall be used "to defray the expenditures authorized on account of the existing war (such proceeds, when received, to be used only for the purpose of meeting such war expenditures). It is held by the law officers of the Government that the insurrection in the Philippines is to all intents and purposes part of the "existing war" with Spain. Congress, too, authorized the increase in the army after peace was declared.

It can be said on the authority of Treasury officials who have been giving the matter careful study for several weeks that the Fifty-sixth Congress will not lessen the war taxes imposed by the act of June 13, 1898. In some quarters the clamor for a reduction of these taxes has already begun, but the enormous expenditures to be incurred in the next two years not only forbid the curtailment of these special taxes, but requires an enlargement of the general scheme and the stoppage of holes through which those supposed to have been taxed have escaped.

It has become apparent to the revenue officials that if any adequate increase in revenues is to be realized it must come from further imposition of stamp taxes. Just where to impose these taxes is a question now bothering those in charge. For several weeks data have been quietly gathered and recommendations to the Secretary are being formulated.

Steamship Dividend

The Oceanic Steamship Company has declared a dividend of 50c. per share, payable on the 1st of September.

THE PORTO RICO FUND.

WASHINGTON, August 19.—Among the contributions for the Porto Rico storm-sufferers received at the War Department today were from President McKinley, \$250; Vice President Hobart, \$250; Secretary Root, \$250; William Harbison, New York, \$250; August Belmont, New York, \$500. A letter has been received from the Merchants' Association of New York saying that \$10,000 has been collected for Porto Rico.

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RIOTING IN PARIS

Four Hundred Injured in Fighting.

Fifty Police Officers Badly Hurt—Anarchists Attack and Pillage Churches—Much Bloodshed.

PARIS, August 20.—France may end another century with a revolution and write the story of another commune in letters of blood. Feeling which has long smoldered in Paris broke into flame today and there was fierce rioting that for hours involved thousands and menaced all of the civil forces that stand for peace. It began with an assault upon anti-Semites by anarchists and socialists and then when the police arrived they became the common enemy and were ferociously attacked.

The disorder spread everywhere. Angry men seized knives and clubs and threw themselves into the fight. The rallying cries of "Vive l'Armee!" and "Vive la Republique!" marked a man as friend or foe and he was struck down or sustained. In the earlier skirmishes the police were defeated and that seemed to give the rioters new zest.

The striking scenes of the day were enacted at the churches of St. Maurice and St. Joseph. The inflamed mob stormed both of them and proceeded to dismantle them at once. Sacred wafers were torn from the altars and thrown into the street, there to be trampled upon. Sacred images were smashed, tabernacles broken open and holy pictures riddled. To the aid of police rallied faithful parishioners anxious to save their houses of worship, but they were overpowered and thrust aside. Then the torch, the favorite weapon of the commune, was applied. As the mobs fled from the burning churches the firemen came and quickly smothered the flames. Next there was a rush for St. Nicholas, but the police prevented its destruction.

The last stand of the night was made in the Eastern railway station, where the police were re-enforced by the Republican Guard, who frequently charged the rioters. The latter met the onslaughts with knives and also fired a few shots. The police were finally victorious and took twenty-five prisoners. It was an ominous night in Paris. Crowds thronged the streets and everywhere there was display of military force.

There is every indication that there will be more trouble and that France faces a serious crisis cannot be doubted. Sebastian Faure led in the original attack of the anarchists. He headed an assemblage of 1000 men that gathered early in the day in the Rue la Republique, and it was he who urged his insane followers to the first acts of violence. When he found his madened cohorts beyond his control he made a cowardly attempt to leave them but the police nabbed him. Official reports show that 350 persons are in hospitals and many of them will die. The police made 150 arrests, and it is understood that many more will be taken into custody. It is said that Millevoye, the Nationalist leader, will be arrested.

TRANSPORT SIAM.

With Horses and Mules on Board for Manila. (From Wednesday's Daily.)

"Not a horse died; not a horse sick," was Captain J. P. O'Neill's remark on the arrival of the United States live stock transport Siam in port yesterday from San Francisco. He was busy superintending the removal of the 50 cavalry horses and 340 mules and could not rest easy until all of his brute passengers were safely landed for an outing.

Captain O'Neill is the military officer in charge of the Siam. He belongs to the 25th Infantry and has an enviable record for ability.

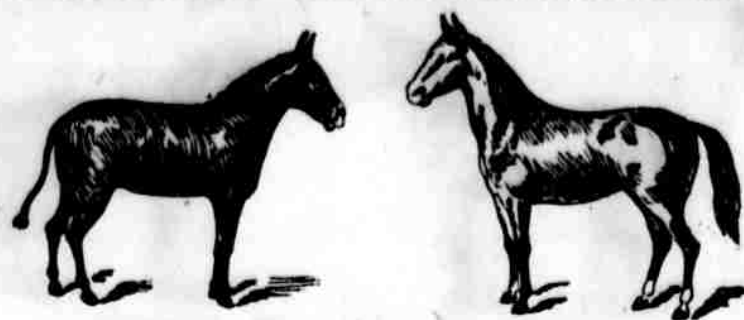
The Siam arrived shortly before noon, having sailed from San Francisco in the afternoon of August 19.

She is a British built vessel of about 5000 tons and is owned by the Austrian Navigation Company and chartered through Macondray & Co. of San Francisco to the United States Government. Fifty civilian employees are on board, including a number of packers from Cheyenne.

Dr. G. H. Calkins is surgeon and Dr. Lyman Bishop veterinary surgeon on board.

The Siam is in command of Captain S. Raiche; First Officer, S. Sigas; Second Officer, A. Stevanovich. Captain Raiche is a famous philatelist with a big collection of stamps in his locker.

The Siam discharged at Oceanic wharf during last night, working steadily so as to leave that berth clear for the Australia this morning. She will remain here ten days before sailing for the Philippines.



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